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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 27 November 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

UNDOF (S/2000/1103)

Other matters

3.30 p.m.	4233rd (closed) meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda.

2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

   Letter dated 22 November 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/1111)

UNITED NATIONS MONITORING, VERIFICATION AND INSPECTION COMMISSION (UNMOVIC)

Third plenary meeting

3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m. 71st plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [39]

   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/489, A/55/520)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.32/Rev.1)

2. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [20]:

   (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations:

      (i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/82, A/55/494, A/55/637)

      (ii) Draft resolution (A/55/L.38)

   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions:

      (i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/90, A/55/92, A/55/123, A/55/124, A/55/125, A/55/212, A/55/317, A/55/319, A/55/333, A/55/347, A/55/415, A/55/416, A/55/418, A/55/620)

      (ii) Draft resolutions (A/55/L.16, A/55/L.35, A/55/L.36, A/55/L.41)

   (c) Assistance to the Palestinian people: report of the Secretary-General (A/55/137)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 37th meeting Conference Room 2

1. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of the Economic Growth and Development of Developing Countries and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade [94 (a)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.39

2. Macroeconomic policy questions: financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries [92 (e)]

Morning*-1 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Navid Hanif (Pakistan), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/55/L.39 (item 94 (a)), A/C.2/55/L.17 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/55/L.20 (item 95 (b)), A/C.2/55/L.21 (item 95 (d)) and A/C.2/55/L.18 (item 99)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Ms. Anne Barrington (Ireland), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/55/L.19 (92 (a)), A/C.2/55/L.24 and L.25* (item 97)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania), Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.22 (item 93 (a))

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* Immediately following the adjournment of the 37th meeting of the Second Committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10.30 a.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 3

Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [117]

Reports of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/305, A/55/502 and A/55/507 and Add.1)

Address by the Secretary-General

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (A/55/443 and Corr.1 and A/55/531))

3 p.m.**- 6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 133 (Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (A/55/477 and A/55/624))

7 p.m. - 10 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Results-based budgeting (A/54/456 and Add.1-5, A/55/543 and A/54/287 and Add.1))

* Following the adjournment of the 32nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

** There will be a suspension of the informal consultations from 4.15 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Sixth session

10 a.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on crime of aggression

WORKING GROUP ON CRIME OF AGGRESSION

Morning*- 1 p.m.		Conference Room 1

WORKING GROUP ON FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AND RULES

3p.m. - 6 p.m.		Conference Room 1

* Following the adjournment of the 24th meeting of the Preparatory Commission.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

11.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Safety and security of United Nations personnel

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

WORKING GROUP

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EVENT ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Resumed first substantive session

3 p.m.- 6 p.m..	14th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Preparation for the substantive preparatory process and the high-level international event [2]

   Action on draft proposal A/AC.257/L.4/Rev.1

2. Draft Provisional agenda for the second session of the Preparatory Committee

3. Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee (A/AC.257/L.3 and Add.1)

4. Closure of the first session of the Preparatory Committee

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SECOND COMMITTEE

On Monday, 27 November 2000, there will be meetings of interested delegations on draft proposals, as follows:

Conference Room B: A/C.2/55/L.36 (item 100), from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.;

Conference Room E: A/C.2/55/L.29 (item 92 (e)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for this consultation

Announcement

The Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) announced the launching of the Official United Nations Web site on the 2002 review of progress achieved since UNCED at www.un.org/rio+10. This Web site will provide information about the preparations for the review at the national, regional and international levels, as well as links to United Nations System and major group partners. The information on this site will be regularly updated as the preparatory process unfolds. Inquiries about the web site can be directed to Division for Sustainable Development of DESA (tel.: (212) 963-8811, or (212) 963-8429, or by e-mail at dsd@un.org).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 27 November 2000

GROUP OF LAND-LOCKED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

2 p.m - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 92 (a) (Trade and development) (A/C.2/55/L.2))

2 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

ASIAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE
(at the ambassadorial level)

4 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND, THIRD AND SIXTH COMMITTEES
(on agenda item 93 (b) (Business and development) (A/C.2/55/L.32))

6 p.m.- 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

ANNUAL BRIEFING ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on agenda items 30 (Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, including measures and recommendations agreed upon at its mid-term review) and 50 (Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa) will be held on Monday, 27 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Informal consultations with interested delegations on a draft resolution on humanitarian assistance to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, under agenda item 20 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions), organized by the delegation of the Russian Federation, will be held on Monday, 27 November 2000, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Informal consultations with interested delegations on agenda item 47 (Assistance in mine action) will be held on Monday, 27 November 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Informal consultations of co-sponsors and interested delegations on draft resolutions on the closure of the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant and the economic assistance to the Eastern European States affected by the developments in the Balkans, under agenda item 20 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions), organized by the delegation of Ukraine, will be held on Monday, 27 November 2000, from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Briefing session

A briefing session on Ratification and Implementation Legislation of the Statute of the International Criminal Court will be held on Monday, 27 November 2000, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The briefing session is intended for delegations from least developed countries and from non-governmental organizations attending the sixth session of the Preparatory Commission for the International Criminal Court and are organized by the International Human Rights Law Institute, DePaul University College of Law. Interpretation will be provided in English and French.

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Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) will be held on Monday, 27 November 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC) will be held on Monday, 27 November 2000, following the adjournment of the closed consultations on UNDOF in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 November 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

The Web site of the Netherlands Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.int/netherlands.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 28 November 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	72nd plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Assistance in mine action [47]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/542)

(b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.44)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 2
10 a.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3
7 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* There will be a suspension of the informal consultations from 4.15 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting on Wednesday, 29 November 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People.

All Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies and observers are invited to attend. Messages of solidarity should be sent to room S-3350 at United Nations Headquarters.

Exhibit

In observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian Art Exhibit entitled "The Land". The exhibit will be displayed at the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building from Wednesday, 29 November to Tuesday, 12 December 2000.

The formal opening of the exhibit is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 29 November 2000, at the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

Screening of films

Also in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of two films entitled "Behind the Walls" and "Despite the Odds". Both films will be shown on Wednesday, 29 November 2000, at 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber and at the exhibit area, throughout the duration of the exhibit.

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The 2nd meeting of the Credentials Committee will be held on Monday, 4 December 2000, at 10 a.m. Delegations that have not submitted credentials are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rule of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420A).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (6 to 16 March 2001). There will be two panels focusing on the following thematic issues being taken up by the Commission: (1) Women, the girl child and HIV/AIDS; and (2) Gender and racial discrimination. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (Room DC2-1259), no later than Thursday, 7 December 2000.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 5 December 2000, at 10 a.m. sharp, in Conference Room 9.

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United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

List of speakers

The fourth session of the Conference of the Parties will take place from 11 to 22 December 2000 in Bonn, Germany. The special segment on the implementation of the Convention will be held from 18 to 20 December. Statements at this segment will be open to Parties, observers, international intergovernmental organizations, multilateral agencies and institutions accredited to the Conference, United Nations programmes and specialized agencies with representation at the appropriate level. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 5 minutes.

The list of speakers for the special segment is open until Tuesday, 5 December. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for this segment are requested to contact the technical Secretariat of the Conference in New York (Ms. June Chesney: tel.: (212) 963-5742; fax: (212) 963-5935; e-mail: chesney@un.org). The list will be reopened in Bonn on Monday, 11 December (telephone and fax numbers to be announced).

A list of speakers for other statements by Parties and observers in the Plenary during the first week of the session will open in Bonn on Monday, 11 December.

The provisional agenda and organization of work for the session is contained in document ICCD/COP(4)/1 and can be retrieved from the Optical Disk System or from the Convention Web site (http://www.unccd.int).

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 173 (Towards global partnerships))* on Tuesday, 28 November 2000, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a closed meeting of the African Group of the Whole on Thursday, 30 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and the protection of the United Nations personnel under agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance), organized by the delegation of France on behalf of the European Union, will take place on Tuesday, 28 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the second session in the annual series entitled "Public-Private Partnership for Sustainable Development". This session will focus on "Public-Private partnership for Infrastructure Development". The workshop to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 7 and Friday, 8 December 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, a draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 29 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9684).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is conducting a workshop on team development. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 14 December 2000 , from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., and Friday, 15 December from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, a draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 7 December. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9684).

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There will be a meeting of police contributors to the United Nations Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK), the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (UNMIBH), and the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET) on Friday, 1 December 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Hédi Annabi, Assistant Secretary-General for Operations, Department of Peacekeeping Operations.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 November 2000

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Twenty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

454th meeting

Consideration of information received under article 20 of the Convention [5]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item in closed session.

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee adopted its concluding observations relating to the second periodic report of Cameroon.

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

455th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee presented its concluding observations on Cameroon.

Organizational and other matters [2]

Members of the Committee received a briefing from the Chairman on the outcome of the twelfth meeting of the Chairpersons of treaty bodies.

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee adopted its concluding observations on Guatemala.

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

FRIDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2000

456th meeting

The Chairman announced the country rapporteurs appointed for the twenty-sixth session of the Committee (30 April - 18 May 2001).

The Committee adopted its contribution to the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia, and Related Intolerance.

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [4]

The Committee concluded its consideration of the item and presented its concluding observations on Guatemala.

Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item. ms in closed session.

Closure of the session

The Chairman declared closed the twenty-fifth session of the Committee.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Twenty-fourth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2000

72nd meeting

Consideration of State party reports [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the second periodic report of Morocco (E/1990/6/Add.20).

73rd (closed) meeting

Consideration of State party reports [6]

The Committee held a preliminary discussion of concluding observations on Morocco (E/1990/6/Add.20).

The Committee then continued its consideration of concluding observations on Portugal (E/1994/104/Add.20).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Global Launch of the United Nations Consolidated Inter-agency Appeals for 2001, organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, will be held on Tuesday, 28 November 2000, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The Secretary-General will lead the launch. The speakers will include Ms. Liv Ullmann, Honorary Chair for the Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children; H.E. Mr. Harri Holkeri, President of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly; Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, Executive Director of UNIFEM; Ms. Binta Mansaray, Sierra Leone; and Ms. Habiba Dalil, Afghanistan. The meeting will be chaired by Ms. Carolyn McAskie, Emergency Relief Coordinator, a.i. The theme of this year's launch is "Women and War".

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World AIDS Day

In observance of World AIDS Day, a special event, organized by the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI) and the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), will take place on Friday, 1 December 2000, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. In keeping with the theme "AIDS: Men Make a Difference", designated by UNAIDS for its World AIDS Campaign, there will be a discussion on changes in male attitudes and behaviours that could halt the spread of AIDS. The event, moderated by Riz Khan, CNN International, is co-sponsored by the Department of Information, UNAIDS, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and LoveLife/The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, in cooperation with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Mr. Kensaku Hogen, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, will open the programme. H.E. Mr. Harri Holkeri, President of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, Ms. Louise Fréchette, Deputy Secretary-General, and Mr. Elhadj Sy, Representative, UNAIDS Liaison Office in New York, will deliver opening remarks. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2000 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Mauritania
H.E. Mr. Mahfoudh Ould Deddach

Asian States:
Kyrgyzstan
H.E. Ms. Elmira S. Ibraimova

Eastern European States:
Slovenia
H.E. Mr. Ernest Petrič

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Brazil
H.E. Mr. Gelson Fonseca, Jr.

Western European and other States:
Germany
H.E. Mr. Dieter Kastrup

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